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Recap: Drive-in Movie Night at Galt!

On the evening of Saturday, July 11th, the weather at Galt was looking grim. Suddenly, not unlike the Red Sea, the storm clouds parted as they executed a short final to Runway 9, leaving us with a beautiful evening for the Chapter's first ever drive-in movie night. We figured Ed Moricoli offered Moses a half-year rate to join EAA932 and help out.

The idea for an outdoor movie sprang from our Board's desire to host an actual, rather than virtual, Gathering. As luck would have it, member Jeremy Knoll had access to a jumbo inflatable screen and projector. Jeremy is a Village Trustee for Twin Lakes, Wisconsin. The village normally hosts a "Movie in the Park" series, but like so many other events, it's been cancelled. Jeremy and Daniela have the large BushCat hangar where they're able to store the equipment in a quiet corner along side BushCat Tom.

The movie, *One Six Right*, was suggested by Justin Cleland. Described by one reviewer as "the Endless Summer of aviation films," it focuses on the life, history and struggles of Southern California's iconic Van Nuys airport.

Folks arrived, found a spot on the grass or in their cars and settled in to enjoy an excellent film. With free ice cream, popcorn, and bottled water provided by the chapter, it was a great night for a movie! 🍿



Up Next...

Virtual Chapter Gathering
Saturday, August 8th at 10AM

All Aboard Air Force 2



Join us for an interactive conversation on Zoom with Susan Foy. Susan is a retired member of the United States Air Force, and a graduate of the US Air Force Academy. She had the honor of flying the Air Force 2 Boeing 757 and served in various other roles in the operation of this aircraft that transports the Vice President of the United States.

Please visit www.eaa932.org and click on the **EVENTS** tab to obtain the Zoom link needed to join this chapter gathering

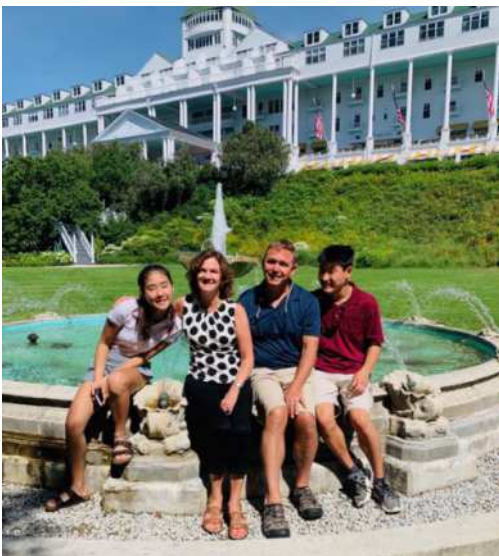
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Island Flight: Family Adventure to Mackinac

Photos and story by Arnie Quast



Approaching Mackinac Island



The Quast family in front of the legendary Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island



The Metivier Inn, the B&B where we stayed.

My family and I recently concluded a flight that's been on our bucket list for a long time. About 300 nautical miles northeast of Galt Airport, along the Upper Peninsula of Michigan lies a small gemstone of a destination, Mackinac Island, located in the Straits of Mackinac that serve to link Lake Huron and Lake Michigan.

Transportation on the island takes one back in time. No cars are allowed on the island except for a few emergency vehicles. The choices for transportation are either a bicycle or a horse drawn buggy.

Most people get to the island via the scheduled ferry service that runs from either St. Ignace or Mackinac City, Michigan. Others come by privately owned boats or airplanes.

Mackinac Island Airport sits toward the middle of the island. The single runway is 3500' long, and has instrument approach procedures for arrivals from both directions. The airstrip is in excellent condition and a friendly airport manager staffs the small terminal and ramp area. The ramp and adjacent grass area offers room to tie down a good number of airplanes, though no hangars, fuel, or maintenance services are available. A parking fee of \$12.50 per day is accessed to single engine airplanes. Across the bay in St. Ignace an airport called the Mackinac County Airport provides full services.

When you arrive at Mackinac Island Airport, horse drawn taxi carriages can transport you to your accommodation. It's best to call ahead and prearrange a carriage to meet you at the airport at your arrival time, as the taxis have to travel out of the main town which is approximately 25 minutes from the airport. Taxi fare from the airport into downtown is about \$7.50 per person. It's a very peaceful and relaxing two-mile ride through some beautiful wooded paths. If you're up for it, you can also hike into town.

There's an abundance of things to see and do on the island. Rented bicycles is a popular way to check out the beautiful scenery and historic sites around the island. Rental bikes are available all over town for an average cost of about \$10.00/hour.

Most of the accommodations on the island are in the form of bed and



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Information about Mackinac Island can be accessed by clicking this link:

<https://www.mackinacisland.org>

Information about the Mackinac Island Airport and Mackinac State Historic Parks can be found at:

<https://www.mackinacparks.com/more-info/mackinac-island-airport-2/>

Check with AirNav.com for essential Mackinac Island Airport (KMCD) info:

<http://www.airnav.com/airport/kmcd>

breakfast establishments. The legendary hotel on the island is known as the Grand Hotel, a historic, elegant hotel that has been named one of the top 25 hotels in the world. Visitors are welcome to tour the inside of the Grand Hotel for an admission price of \$10.00 per person. After 6 pm, a formal dress code is required for entry to the hotel. The Grand is well worth a visit while you are on the island.

My family and I stayed at a quaint and comfortable bed and breakfast called the Metvier Inn. It was located on Market Street about a block back from the main street that runs through downtown Mackinac Island. The rooms were clean and quiet and the hospitality offered by the innkeepers was amazing.

There's a bounty of shops, restaurants, and bars in the town. Mackinac Island Fudge may be the island's most famous product, with numerous fudge shops claiming unique recipes and offering free samples.

We enjoyed dining at several excellent restaurants. One of our favorites was called the Kingston Kitchen that had amazing Jamaican fare. The owner and chef was a gentleman named Shawn, a native of Jamaica. He came to our table to make sure we were delighted with his food.

For night life, there are a number of options on and around Main Street. A bar called the "Pink Pony" located in the Chippewa Hotel on Main St. offered a beautiful view of the water, and had some relaxing live entertainment. The signature beverage at the Pony is a pink rum runner. I had no problem falling asleep after consuming this beverage!

Another place that is more of a "local" establishment is a bar called the Mustang Lounge with popular fare such as hamburgers and pizza.

Overall, you'll not go wrong with any of the establishments on the island. You'll find the local folks and service friendly and attentive. I often use the Trip Advisor app when I travel around the country to get a sense of the quality of various places, and it's hard to find a sub-par place on Mackinac Island!

Mackinac Island is an exceptional destination. There are a few websites will help you plan your trip. It's well worth the journey to head that way! 🍷



Flight notes: On departure from Mackinac Island, the weather was IFR along most of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, so we ended up flying along the eastern coast of Lake Michigan to get back to Galt, with a fuel stop in Muskegon.

Our trip took us around the entire circumference of Lake Michigan. The sites along the way were really enjoyable. The skyline of Chicago and the southern rim of Lake Michigan presents quite a change in scenery from that of the northern rim. Total flight time to do the circle route is about 7.5 hours in our Piper Archer. Times would be about the same in a Cessna 172 or similar general aviation aircraft. If we had been able to return back along the UP, the flight time could have been reduced by about an hour.



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Monday thru Sunday

Congratulations!

*Congratulations Ida!
She flew her first solo flight
on 7/13/2020!
Pictured with her
flight instructors,
Josh Cramer and Beth Rehm..*



*Congratulations Kaylin!
She earned her Private Pilot's License
on 7/22/2020! Pictured with
DPE, Dave Monroe.*

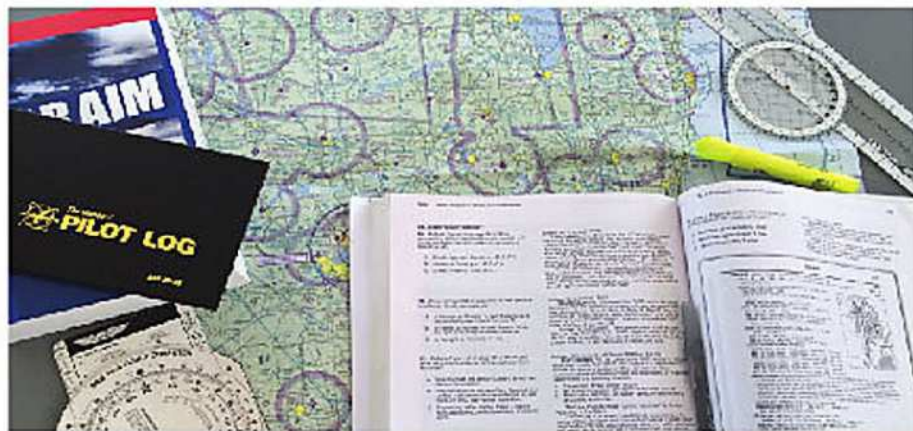


*Congratulations Jason!
He passed his Private Pilot
checkride on Saturday 7/25/2020!
Pictured with ground instructor,
Ron Friend & Gus..*



*Congratulations Alan!
He earned his Private Pilot's License
7/28/2020! Way to go!*

JB AVIATION FLIGHT SCHOOL



GROUND SCHOOL

Our ground school is designed to teach you everything you need to know to pass the Private Pilot FAA Written Exam. This 11- week class will meet weekly on Wednesdays at Galt Airport.

Class Materials:
E6B, Plotter, FAR/AIM, and
ASA Written Test prep book.
These can be purchased
individually, or as a kit for
\$70.



Class Dates

August 12th - October 21st
Wednesdays 6-8pm

Additional classes may be
added, check flywithJB.com
for updates

Cost: \$450

For more information, please call 815-648-2433

To reserve your spot, please make payment, cash or check, at least one week prior to the start of class.

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EAA Chapter 932 Scholarship Committee Announces 2020 Ray Aviation Flight Training Scholarship Recipient

The EAA Chapter 932 Scholarship Committee is pleased to introduce this year's recipient of a 2020 Ray Aviation Flight Training Scholarship, Michael Karm.



Michael is a 17 year old student at McHenry East. One year ago, after a chat with former fellow high school student and pilot, Gretchen Thennes, Michael began exploring the path to a flying career. He researched what it would take to become a pilot, got a job

at the local Target and saved his money to open a

flight training account with JB Aviation at Galt. In January of this year, he began his flight training.

Michael was among five applicants for the 2020 Ray Aviation Scholarship administered by EAA932. Each candidate presented unique qualifications, making for a difficult decision by our chapter's committee members. The chapter submitted Michael's application to the EAA National Headquarters in Oshkosh at the end of June. His scholarship was approved just before the Independence Day weekend.

Michael's goal is to complete his initial private pilot flight training by his 18th birthday this fall. After that he plans to apply for Purdue's 3-year accelerated aviation program. EAA Chapter 932 is so very pleased to help support Michael as he embarks on his path.

A little info about the Ray Scholarship...

The *Ray Aviation Flight Training Scholarship* is a unique full-scholarship opportunity for primary flight training. EAA Chapter 932 is able to offer this scholarship on a "approval" basis thanks to the Experimental Aircraft Association in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Our chapter's goal is to bring forward and support a student to certificate completion.

The *Ray Aviation Scholars* program provides up to \$10,000 scholarships to young people who are seeking to learn to fly. The Ray Foundation has provided \$1.2 million to fund the scholarship program, which aims to improve the flight training success rate from the current industry standards of 20 percent to 80 percent for student pilots. Local EAA chapters are responsible for identifying youth for the Ray Aviation Scholarship program and mentoring them through flight training. The Ray Foundation is furthering the legacy of James Ray, an EAA lifetime member who was dedicated to aviation and youth education.

The scholarship is designed to support a flight student through both written and practical segments of flight training that are part of successful FAA

pilot certification. In the first year of the program, 105 scholars were awarded flight training scholarships. EAA 932 member, Jeff Boyack, was one of the first few scholars to receive the Ray Scholarship and complete his goal to become a pilot in 2019. Today, Jeff continues his aviation studies at Liberty University.

EAA chapters play a critical role in the success of the Ray Aviation Scholarship program. Chapters interested in participating must be prequalified by the EAA through an application process. If selected, they mentor and support the scholarship recipient throughout their flight training journey. Once selected as a Ray Aviation Scholarship Fund participant, candidates also commit to volunteer service with the local EAA chapter.

EAA Chapter 932 is one of 900 local chapters of the Experimental Aircraft Association, the world's largest organization for recreational flying. It meets at Galt Airport on the second Saturday of the month. More information on EAA Chapter 932 activities and scholarship opportunities is available at EAA932.org.

The President's Page

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Breaking news...

EAA's Christina Baskin has written a great article about our own Kaylin Hart for *Inspire EAA*! Click the button to read it!

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Arnie Quast, President, EAA Chapter 932

Greetings EAA 932 Chapter Members,

I hope that everyone is doing their best to enjoy the summer months as we continue to navigate these unprecedented times. As a chapter we have been doing our best to stay engaged with our Galt Airport community. On July 11th, we took a break from our virtual gathering series and had a fun with a social distanced event at the airport. We watched the movie *One Six Right – The Romance of Flying*, a well done documentary on the Van Nuys Airport in California. To accompany the movie, we had plenty of fresh popcorn and ice cream for



Bill Tobin manning the popcorn machine

everyone to enjoy. Special thanks to Jeremy and Daniela Knoll and the Village of Twin Lakes, WI who arranged for the use of their 30-foot inflatable screen and projector. A good number of people showed up to enjoy the movie, drive-in style, from their cars and socially distanced lawn chairs. Sound was broadcast on FM radio, and on two large speakers. A big thanks goes out to everyone in the chapter who helped set up, serve refreshments, and break down the equipment. Aside from some pesky mosquitos, everyone really seemed to enjoy the night. We all agreed that this would be a repeat event!

Virtual Gathering Aug. 8: Aboard Air Force 2

On August 8th we will continue our virtual gathering series on Zoom with a special guest. Retired Air Force pilot, Susan Foy, will share her story of what it was like to fly Air Force 2. Susan is a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. Prior to her retirement, Susan had the opportunity to serve in many roles, including piloting the Boeing 757 known as Air Force 2. Please join us for an interactive conversation with Susan as she shares a bit about her Air Force flying career and military aviation.

Chapter Building Clean Up and Organization

August 15th

As we have previously mentioned, JB Aviation has leased us a generous amount of space in the building across the parking lot from the FBO. Because of the Covid-19 crisis, we have had to delay getting this building cleaned up and repurposing. We can really use some help with this effort. On Saturday August 15, we would like to organize a few members willing to help. The plan is to gather between 8:00 to 11:00AM at the airport. Please call or text Bill Tobin at 815.260.1328 to volunteer.



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Community Foundation Grant

Your EAA 932 board members lead by Deena Schwartz, have been working on completing a grant application provided by the Community Foundation for McHenry County. Our board submitted the final grant request on July 17. If the chapter procures the grant, we are hoping to use the proceeds to improve the interior of the chapter building to accommodate future community projects. We expect to know if we are successful by August 18. It's truly a great opportunity for the chapter, so let's keep our fingers crossed!

As we ease into August, I hope everyone stays healthy, and continues their best to navigate the challenging times. We'll navigate through this together and be more resilient when it is said and done. Thanks to all of you who make our Galt Airport community one of the best in the country. 🏠

Arnie

Planes on Posts



F-84F at Delta County Airport

Send your photos of any
Planes On Posts you spot to
editor@eaa932.org

On the way to Mackinac Island, Arnie Quast and family made a quick stop at the Delta County Airport in Escanaba, MI.

Being the dedicated Chapter President and avid newsletter supporter that Arnie is, he keeps a sharp eye out for new **Planes On Posts** wherever he flies. I'm sure he spotted this F-84F as he overflew over the area and landed specifically to take this photo. That's dedication! (Arnie assures me that the landing had nothing at all to do with fuel and/or bathrooms.)

The F-84F is an early turbojet that evolved from the straight-wing F-84 and first flew in June 1950. It was a design that was fraught with problems: poor takeoff performance that ate up 7,500 feet of runway on hot days, a nasty accelerated stall pitch-up characteristic that often lead to impossible spin recoveries below 10,000 feet, engine flame-outs in heavy rain or snow, and finally corrosion issues.

Deliveries were delayed until 1954 and the active duty phaseout of it's use began shortly afterward. It begins to sound as though a display post might be the safest place for these airplanes to be.

Most of the aircraft were originally used by the Tactical Air Command as a ground support fighter bomber. Republic built 2,112 F-84Fs while General Motors fabricated 599 more. Of these, 1,301 were delivered to NATO air forces. 🏠



A photo of the F-84F from the Delta County Airport's website.

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EAA (www.eaa.org) is an international organization of members with a wide range of aviation interests, including vintage aircraft, aerobatics, warbirds and amateur builders. EAA Chapter 932 meetings are usually held at Galt Airport on the second Saturday of the month. Check our website for more information about the chapter and events and activities at www.eaa932.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/galt-airport-young-eagles/116543021696619